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File: Maple Ave./Yard 3/W.O.#TO1309

SUBJECT: YARD 3 - CEQA CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FOR THE INSTALLATION OF CURB AND GUTTER AT THREE LOCATIONS ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF MAPLE AVENUE IN RIALTO, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

I have reviewed the project description for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) compliance for the installation of curb and gutter on Maple Avenue in the City of Rialto, San Bernardino County (see Attachment). The proposed project consists of installing new curb and gutter at three locations along the west side of Maple Avenue to make the existing curb and gutter contiguous. The project will occur within existing right-of-way and will result in the removal of some non-native vegetation and trees. The Project Schedule for this project is Fiscal Year 2003 - 2004. The estimated start construction date is June 2003 and the duration of construction is approximately two (2) weeks.

Based on a field review conducted by the Department of Public Works Ecologists it was determined that the project site does not have the potential to support any sensitive or protected species, as it is located within a residential area of Rialto that is devoid of quality, native habitat. Although, the proposed operation will result in the removal of non-native vegetation and trees, no native vegetation will be disturbed or altered.

The proposed work qualifies for a Categorical Class I Exemption under Section 15301 (c) of the CEQA Guidelines because it consists of minor alterations and maintenance repair of existing facilities with no expansion of the existing use.

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MAPLE AVENUE
YARD 3 / W.O. # T01309

<u>Project & Limits</u>	<u>Length (Miles)</u>	<u>Existing Min. Width</u>
Maple Ave. (Barbee St. N to Fontana City limits.)	0.60	24'